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UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON
DAYTON, OHIO

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

March 14, 2005 – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. in St. Mary's 113B

PRESIDING: David Biers

SENATORS PRESENT: Biddle, Biers, Eloë, Gerla, Huelsman, Penno, Rapp, Saliba, Webb, Yungblut

1. Opening Prayer: D. Biers said a prayer.
2. Roll Call:
3. Approval of ECAS Minutes for March 7, 2005: The March 7 minutes were approved as written.
4. Announcements:
 - a. D. Biers cancelled the March 21 and March 28 meetings. The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 30** from 3:00-4:00 p.m. in St. Mary's 113B.
 - b. D. Biers will forward his PowerPoint presentation to the Academic Senate that was given at the March 11 AS meeting.
5. Old Business:
 - o Standing Committee Reports:

Academic Policies Committee (APC): J. Biddle said the committee will be discussing the General Education Policy (specifically, Section I. – Purpose of the Policy) which was approved by the Academic Senate in October 2003. The part in question is "Oversight of the policy on General Education is the responsibility of the Academic Policies Committee of the Academic Senate. The Committee on General Education and Competencies oversees implementation and assessment of the program and is supported by a committee in each of the schools and the College." The recent review stated that clusters should be reviewed within 18 months, and the General Education Committee should put together a plan for the APC to approve. The APC can institute a separate subcommittee to do this. It was suggested and agreed that the term "review" should be used instead of "assess"—this is a review of clusters. It was stated that the APC should be looking over the entire system. The General Education Committee reviewed the whole system of general education in 2001, and their recommendations have not been implemented. It was stated that clear objectives had been set for clusters, and it needs to be confirmed that the goals are being achieved. It was commented that General Education does not report to anybody but the Senate. J. Biddle stated that he wants to have clarity on this process by the end of the

Winter term. It was stated that anytime an academic decision affecting more than one academic unit is being made, it should be approved by the Senate. The APC should decide the effectiveness and if the policy goals have been satisfied. D. Biers said the first step is for the APC to review the assessment reports. It was suggested that the APC should also review the plan.

Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC): L. Yungblut said the FAC reviewed Article IV – election of members and who has voting rights. The committee reviewed the Constitution, and all members can vote except the Provost. (The Provost votes only to break ties). The Constitution does not need to be changed.

Student Academic Policies Committee (SAPC): N. Buchino was not in attendance.

6. New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Wilson